GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
SURFACE TRANSPORT
LOK SABHA

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DREDGING PROJECTS AT PARADEEP PORT
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Will the Minister of SURFACE TRANSPORT be pleased to state:

(a) whether any steps have been taken to complete the dredging projects at Paradeep Port;

(b) if so, the details thereof along with the progress of these projects; and

(c) the time by which the projects are likely to be completed?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SURFACE TRANSPORT (SHRI HUKUMDEO NARAYAN YADAV)

(a)&(b) There is no separate dredging project for this port. The capital dredging for the respective marine structure is included in the main sanctioned scheme. Construction of berth proper for two major 9th Plan Schemes like `Construction of 2nd Multipurpose Berth` and `Construction of Western Quay` have been completed and the dredging in front of the berth was taken up through M/s Dredging Corporation of India Limited. However, the dredging was suspended due to super cyclone in November, 1999. Steps have been taken by the port for carrying out balance dredging work through open tender.

(c) Dredging work for the above two projects is likely to be completed by December, 2000.